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SUBJ: LOS: SEABED COMMITTEE- SUMMARY OF SECOND WEEK- MARCH
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1. SECOND WEEK OF UN SEABED COMMITTEE DELIBERATIONS LED TO MIXED RESULTS. SUBCOMMITTEE I PROGRESSED LABOROUSLY ON TECHNICAL DRAFTING OF DEEP SEABED REGIME ARTICLES. SUBCOMMITTEE II REMAINED BOGGED DOWN ON PROCEDURAL ISSUES BUT HEARD SEVERAL SUBSTANTIVE SPEECHES. SUBCOMMITTEE III COMMENCED STRUCTURED WORKING GROUP DISCUSSION ON PROTECTION OF MARINE ENVIRONMENT.

2. IN SUBCOMMITTEE I US DISTRIBUTED USGS PUBLICATION CONTAINING PETROLEUM AND MINERAL STATISTICS ON 120 COASTAL STATES. SUBCOMMITTEE I WORKING GROUP PROCEEDED WITH CONSIDERATION OF SEABED REGIME PRINCIPLES. AFTER SLOW START AT BEGINNING OF WEEK, SPEED PICKED UP AND SEVERAL IMPORTANT ARTICLES WERE DISPOSED OF. WG HAS ALSO BECOME ENGAGED IN WIDE- RANGING POLITICAL DEBATE
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ON FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES CONCERNING INTERNATIONAL SEABED REGIME. WG CHAIRMAN CIRCULATED WORKING DOCUMENT ON MACH-

INERY WHICH WG WILL PROBABLY USE IN CONSIDERATION OF THESE QUESTIONS.

3. SUBCOMMITTEE II STILL CONSULTING IN REGIONAL GROUPS ON PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS OF CHAIRMANSHIP AND OTHER BUREAU POSITIONS OF WORKING GROUP AND ITS ORGANIZATION. AFRICAN GROUP CANDIDATE KEDADI OF TUNISIA HAS SUPPORT OF LATIN AND ASIAN GROUPS FOR CHAIRMANSHIP BUT EASTERN EUROPEAN AND WEO GROUPS ARE STILL SEEKING TO OBTAIN KEY POSITIONS ON SUBCOMMITTEE FOR THEIR CANDIDATES. IN MEANTIME SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN TUNCEL (TURKEY) HAS INDICATED HE WOULD BE PREPARED TO CHAIR WORKING GROUP IN INTERIM. USSR INTRODUCED DRAFT ARTICLE PROPOSING 12- MILE TERRITORIAL SEA. PHILIPPINES, WITH CO- SPONSORSHIP OF FIJI, INDONESIA AND MAURITIUS, INTRODUCED SHORT PAPER ON ARCHIPELAGIC PRINCIPLES. PAPER DEFINED ARCHIPELAGIC STATE, ASSERTED SOVEREIGNTY OVER WATERS OF ARCHIPELAGO AND SUGGESTED RIGHT OF INNOCENT PASSAGE THROUGH SEALANES DESIGNATED BY ARCHIPELAGIC STATE. NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA INDICATED SYMPATHY WITH PAPER BUT STRESSED NEED TO BALANCE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS. NORWAY SPOKE IN FAVOR OF 200 MILE OR 600 METER OUTER LIMIT, WHICHEVER IS FURTHER SEAWARD FOR CONTINENTAL SHELF RIGHTS. JAPAN EXPRESSED OPPOSITION TO COASTAL STATE MANAGEMENT OF ANADROMOUS SPECIES (PRIMARILY SALMON).

4. SUBCOMMITTEE III ATTENTION DEVOTED TO DRAFT PROPOSALS ON MARINE POLLUTION. DRAFT PROPOSALS NOW SUBMITTED BY CANADA , AUSTRALIA, USSR AND MALTA. PROPOSALS COVER WIDE RANGE OF MARINE POLLUTION ISSUES INCLUDING GENERAL OBLIGATION TO PROTECT ENVIRONMENT, METHODS FOR DEVELOPING STANDARDS, ENFORCEMENT (INCLUDING COASTAL STATE) RIGHTS, STATE RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY, AND DISPUTE SETTLEMENT. WORKING GROUP AGREED TO CONSIDER ISSUES FROM ALL PROPOSALS ON MARINE ENVIRONMENT IN ORDER PRESENTED BY CANADIAN PAPER. STRUCTURED DISCUSSION COMMENCED ON BASIC OBLIGATIONS OF STATES TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE MARINE ENVIRONMENT. USSR, WITH CO- SPONSORS UKRAINE, POLAND AND BULGARIA, SUBMITTED DRAFT ARTICLES ON MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.

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